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Islamic Relief USA P.O. Box 22250 Alexandria, VA 22304

Dear Friends,

I want to wish members of the Muslim community in New York's 13th congressional district and around the world, Ramadan Mubarak.

There is an undeniable element of regularity and comfort that Ramadan brings to Muslims each year. Waking early for the pre-dawn *suboor* meal, preparing an *iftar* meal to break that day's fasting after Maghrib prayer, and spending late nights into the early morning in Taraweeh prayer is such a fundamental tenet of the Islamic faith and our Muslim community.

This past year has taught many of us the value of introspection and re-examination of our priorities, and it is my hope that Ramadan offers a time of respite to many in our Muslim community who have worked tirelessly during the challenges of this past year.

As we engage during the Ramadan season and share messages of hope, opportunity, and a bright future for all Americans, I commend Islamic Relief USA for its ongoing support to community and social services organizations in my congressional district and across the nation to address the challenges facing families across America.

To all my neighbors and friends in New York City and around the world, Ramadan Mubarak.

Sincerely,

Adriano Espaillat Member of Congress